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May 9, 2013

By Hand

Honorable Jed S. Rakoff United States District Judge Southern District of New York 500 Pearl Street, Room 1340 New York, New York 10007

Re: U.S. v. Monzer al Kassar, et al.

S3 07 Cr. 354 (JSR)

Dear Judge Rakoff:

I write in response to Ms. Marshak's letter dated May 1, 2013, requesting a response to Mr. Al Kassar's letter of January 16, 2013. In his letter, Mr. Al Kassar seeks the return of \$4,200.00 that was seized from him personally at the time of his arrest in Spain on June 7, 2007. As Mr. Al Kassar indicates in his letter, I advised his attorney in January 2013 that the \$4,200.00 has been forfeited by the Government pursuant to the Preliminary Order of Forfeiture entered by the Court at Mr. Al Kassar's sentencing (the "Forfeiture Order"). In relevant part, the Forfeiture Order, a copy of which is enclosed, provides that "AL KASSAR shall forfeit the Subject Property, that is, (a) all of his assets, foreign and domestic, and (b) all assets, foreign and domestic, derived from, involved in, or used or intended to be used to commit a Federal crime of terrorism against the United States, citizens and residents of the United States, and their property." (Forfeiture Order at ¶ 1.) Should the Court require any additional information regarding this matter, I would be happy to provide it.

Respectfully submitted,

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